

Get Involved



WE ARE COLLECTING

FOOD: Goods: (for men, women and children)

- . Whole grains like pasta
- . Rice
- . Oatmeal
- . Dried or canned beans
- . Canned Soup

- . Hats
- . Scarves
- . Gloves



Galveston County Food Bank  
Mobile Food Distribution

WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 12TH & 26TH

AT FIRST UMC LA MARQUE  
1825 HOWELL AVE

REGISTRATION STARTS AT  
6:30 AM AND ENDS AT 9AM.

Please stay in your car until  
asked to open your trunk,  
all distributions are  
drive-thru only!

VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

Sermon Notes

1. Is your relationship with Jesus the most important relationship in your life? Why or why not? What gets in the way of making this relationship a priority?

2. What steps can you take to strengthen your relationship with Jesus?

3. Even the disciples struggled with keeping their relationship with Jesus. Read John 6:60-68 and 16:29-33. What kinds of struggles do you imagine that the disciples had in living in the world and following Jesus? How can you relate in your own struggles?

Lord hear our prayers...

- 12-5 Randy Thomas, Joyce Vyvial, Calvin Treybig, Barbara Williams, Dan Koster, Lane Bailey, Sonja Johnson and family, Paul Bala, Mary Gammell, Joy Holder
- 12-12 Linda Johnson Adams, Debbie Collins, Gina Rosales, Terry Fry, Dorothy Blankenship, Kathy Wurzlów, Cheryl Hadley, Barbara Wallace, Terry and Cheryl Darling, Cheryl Scott, Doris Miley, The Family of Rev Jack Matkin, First UMC Dickinson
- 12-19 Kylie Ferrell, Darrell Williams, Melissa Roberts, Bobby Mills, Mozelle Lubojasky
- 12-26 Debbie & Kim Forbush, Patty Ashley, Brittany Rodrigues & Family

**Those in Care Facilities:** Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Mary Jinkins (Sodalís), Pam Syers (Lillian's Love), Barbara Williams (Regal Estates), Walter Wilson (The Crossings)

**Those Who are Homebound:** J.T. Agregard, Grace Boyd, Joy Holder, Mozelle Lubojasky, Mildred McLemore, Louise Ovesny, Tommye Pitman

For all those affected by the mid-west tornadoes, Hurricane Ida and Nicholas, for Afghanistan, for students, teachers and staff, for caregivers, for those who are recovering from the aftermath of natural disasters, marriages that are struggling, our nation, for those affected by the pandemic, our church, those in the military.



ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

Epiphany Sunday January 2, 2022



Welcome to worship at St. John's! May your worship experience be one of blessing and encouragement! While you are here, CDC guidelines are encouraged. Masks are recommended, but not required. And please silence your phone, so that you won't be distracted to hear God's call! Now, take a few slow breaths and relax. You've made it through the hardest part – you walked through the door and found your seat. Make yourself at home. Worship will start in a few minutes.

Got kids? There will be a children's moment early on in the service and then they will go to the treehouse for their own worship time. There are activity bags for your children at the Welcome Center to help you keep them engaged while in worship. Simply return the bag and supplies after worship. Nursery is also provided for children 5 and under. The ushers & greeters are friendly and will be happy to show you around or answer your questions.



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<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsUmcTexasCity>

Website: <https://stjohnsumctc.org/>

Church office hours: Monday 10 AM - 2 PM / Tuesdays-Thursdays 9 AM - 4 PM

- Pastor - Rev. Stephanie Hughes
- Minister of Discipleship & Connections - Rev. Cindy Riddick
- Director of Missions and Administration - Ingrid Clark
- Youth Director - Mae Diaz de Leon
- Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel
- Praise Band Leader - Azzie Jerice
- Accompanist - Sophie Chapman
- Bookkeeper - Brittany Rodriguez

## 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i> <i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		
Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Scripture		Matthew 2:1-12
Sermon	Holding on to Home	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song:	<i>Holy Spirit</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<i>*please stand as you are able</i>

## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude:	<i>How The Father Loves Rodriguez</i>	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome & Greeting		
Congregational Introit	<i>Hark! the Herald Angels Sing</i>	UMH #240 v.1
*Hymn of Praise	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	UMH # 234
Invitation		UMH # 12
Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.		
Prayer of Confession and Pardon		UMH #12
<b>Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</b>		

All pray in silence.

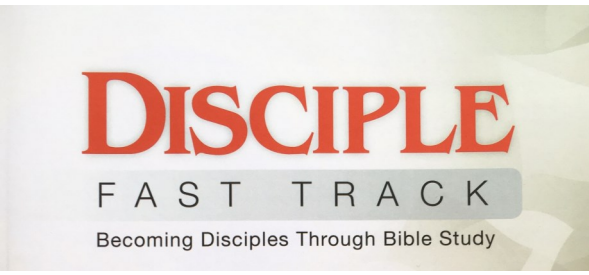
Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Cindy Riddick

Special Music	<i>In The Bleak Midwinter Holst</i>	Sophie Chapman, Piano
Scripture		Matthew 2:1-12
Sermon	Holding on to Home	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Closing Hymn	<i>We Three Kings</i>	UMH # 254
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>Gloria In Excelsis Deo</i>	UMH # 238, refrain ONLY
<b>Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!</b>		
Postlude	<i>Joyful, Joyful arr Meyers</i>	Sophie Chapman, piano

*\*please stand as you are able*

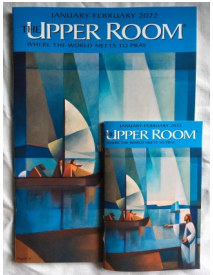


**Disciple I Bible Study begins Jan. 6**


Sign up in the foyer today for this 8 week class on the New Testament.

Rev. Stephanie Hughes will lead classes on  
**Thursdays: In person at 11 AM & 7 PM /  
Zoom class at 5 PM**

**Study books are \$13.**



Begin the new year with a devotional time with God. As a faith community, we make **The Upper Room** devotional available in both regular and large print. Pick up your copy of the January-February issue from the display in the foyer.



**Order ALTAR FLOWERS for 2022**

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary for a Sunday service in memory of or in honor of someone, sign up on the Flower Calendar in the foyer.

Please also call Ingrid Clark at 409-655-5348 to give her the information for the bulletin. Cost is \$50.00 per Sunday and for each arrangement.

We invite you to drop off your offering and prayer requests in the baskets at the entrance to the sanctuary.

**Other convenient ways to give are:**

Give online on our website at <https://stjohnsumctc.org/giving/>  
OR

♦ **NEW Text Giving...**Text "GIVE" to (409) 226-0450 and then follow prompts

Thank you for your generosity and blessing!

